

**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATIONS
RHODE ISLAND STATE APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL
1511 Pontiac Avenue
Building 70 – 2nd Floor Conference Room
Cranston, RI**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2009
9:30 AM**

In attendance:

William F Holmes

Bernie Trembl

William J Riley

Victor Lepore

Joseph Contarino

William O Lepore, Jr

Ben Coppel, Esquire

Ronald R. D'Ambruoso, Acting Assistant Director

Howard Carney

Mr. William Holmes, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:30

am.

The first order of business is to accept the minutes of April meeting. Mr. Riley made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Contarino seconded the motion.

All members voted in favor.

Mr. Victor Lepore informed the board of the Apprentice Approvals, presented for May and June and in need of the board's approval. Mr. Victor Lepore stated that all the paperwork is in order and ready for Mr. Holmes's signature. Mr. Riley made a motion to approve all new apprentices, as submitted. Mr. Contarino seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

1. Apprentice Approvals (May 26, 2009)

B. Fortin Electric Co – Michael A. Martinelli – Electrician

Cinco Plg & Htg Inc – Benjamin Dyer, Ryan Perry, Howard Willis, Craig Laurance - Plumber

Color Concepts Inc – Andrew Novotny, Stephen R. Cole - Painter

Frank A. Toner Electric Co Inc – Thomas Brilhante - Electrician

Gem Plg & Htg – Victor Pereira - Plumber

GKT Refrigeration Inc – Gregory T Duquette – Refrigeration II

Apprentice Approvals Continued:

Hughes Sheetmetal Inc – Nicholas Colantonio - Sheetmetal

Interstate Electrical Serv – Christopher J Gillis - Electrician
National Refrigeration Inc – Corey S Lewis – Sheetmetal II
Trademark Htg & Air Conditioning – Ryan Johnson - Pipefitter

Apprentice Approvals (June 23, 2009)

Amcil & Company – Brian Hunt – Pipefitter I
American Electric Serv Inc – Ely W Millikin - Electrician
Boss Heating & Cooling – Anthony M Hewes – Pipefitter II
Cam HVAC & Const Inc – Eric D Silva - Sheetmetal
City Co Fire Protection - Sprinklerfitter
D & J Plg & Htg Inc – Derek Cote – Pipefitter II
Desarro Electric LLC – Shawn Finnigan - Electrician
Gem Plg – Daniel Masood – Plumber
Donald Scott – Sprinklerfitter
Lockheed Window Corp – Scott J Cunha, Andy Sardinha, Erik D Dias - Carpenter
Petro Holdings Inc – Larry Beck, Joe Dias, Paul Palmisciano, Peter Messier,
Kenneth Dubois – Pipefitter IIAnthony Tente – Refrigeration
Power Comm Systems Inc – Kerrie Chalmers - Electrician
Superior Comfort Inc – Kenneth J Coleman – Refrigeration II

2. New Companies

Mr. Victor Lepore stated that all items under new company approvals are in order and ready for the Council's approval. Mr. Riley made a motion to approve all the new companies as submitted. Mr. Contarino seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The following are the new companies that have been approved:

(May 26, 2009)

Douglas Oil Co Inc – Alberto B. Nascimento - Plumber

Jaime A. Fernandez Electrical – Juan J Orellana - Electrician

Maloney's Oil Co. Inc – Jaycen Albano – Pipefitter II

(June 23, 2009)

Alteris Renewables Inc – Michael Rotondo - Electrician

3. Completion Certificates

Mr. Riley made a motion to approve all the completion certificates as submitted.

Mr. Contarino seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

(May 26, 2009)

**RI Laborer's District Council - Randolph Baker, Mario Almonte -
Const Craft Laborer**

(June 23, 2009)

151 Electric – Ernest Souza – Electrician

**IBEW Local 99 – Jon Colando, Joshua Place, Gary Colvin, Bradley
Urban, Adam Scott,**

**Thomas Aiello, Henrique Vasconcelos, Collin Black, Adam Cardin,
Marco Desrochers,**

**Justin Fissette, Jason Lussier, James Guralski, Bernard Nascenzi,
Richard Capraro,**

**Timothy Colleran, James Drape Jr, Christopher Forte, Robert
Moorehead - Electrician**

4. Apprentices Cancellation:

(May 26, 2009)

None

(June 23, 2009)

Izzo Electric & Son Inc – Mark Fiore – Electrician

RI Laborer's District Council – Curtis Tutt – Const Craft Laborer

5. Apprentices, sponsors and Standards needing assistance from the Council:

None

6. Communication Letters:

(May 26, 2009)

None

(June 23, 2009)

US DOL's approval letter stating RI's EEO Apprenticeship Plan is in compliance

Victor- Feds came in and review our program, we are now in compliance

Mr. Contarino made a motion to have Mr. Holmes sign the letter and place on file. Mr. Riley seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

7. Old Business:

None

Compliance/analysis completed:

None

8. New Business:

Mr. Jerry Smerda is seeking OJT credit that accrued during a period not registered with the Apprenticeship Program

Mr. Ronald D'Ambruoso – spoke on behalf of Mr. Smerda.

Mr. Smerda – request on the job training hours accrued from previous employers, also related instruction credit from CCRI and Erwin Technical Center in Tampa, Florida and other related training, he was registered apprentice with Kirkbrae Electric Co.

Mr. Contarino – Mr. Chairman based on his education we can grant him two years.

Mr. Holmes – your request for on the job training hours accrued from previous employers has been granted.

Mr. Contarino made a motion to grant Mr. Smerda OJT hours and Schooling hours. Mr. Riley Seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

Mr. Robert Boisselle of Associated Builders Contractors to discuss new related instruction curriculums

Mr. Holmes – Mr. Boisselle did not come to the meeting, Mrs. Kristen

Brescia came on his behalf.

Mrs. Kristen Brescia – requesting authorization to have classes approve, looking to have a number of them that we may run in the future, if we don't get approval for all of them at least we can get approve for the Painting classes.

Mr. Holmes – Are this classroom physical location no Online not correspondence?

Mrs. Brescia – Yes, there's no Online, our new facility should be reading for September

Mr. Holmes – Your curriculum for Carpenter has been approved in the past now you're looking for drywall, Millright, you just looking for classes. We don't have an apprenticeship for drywall, we will have to review your curriculum, at this point the Department, Victor and Ron going to have to take a good look, and see where this fit in the overall apprenticeship craft. Motion will be to accept papers as presented and will concentrate on Painters first and then go from there, will get back to it next month.

Mr. Contarino made a motion. Mr. Riley seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

Ms. Monica O'Donovan of O'Sullivan Drilling and Blasting Co. to ask for guidance regarding the development of an apprenticeship program.

Mr. Holmes – Ms. O'Donovan has not showed, will contact her.

Cintas Fire Protection Company to discuss proposed Fire Alarm related instruction curriculum. Company called to re-schedule for the next Board Meeting.

Operating Engineers Local #57 Affirmative Action Plan and selection procedure completed (H. Carney will discuss).

Mr. Howard – in compliance, nothing to discuss.

Howard Carney to discuss recognition of intern credentials needed to satisfy the Workforce Investment Act requirements for linkage with Registered Apprenticeship.

Mr. Howard – An interim credential is defined as a credential issued by the Registration Agency, as competency attainment by an apprentice. A motion to create an intern credential at the end of the probationary period (1,000 hours) approximately six months that will recognize the apprentice for their accomplishments at the end of their probationary period. The credential will be issued at the request of the sponsor

Victor – The employer whose eligible will receive for the first six month fifty percent of the apprentice wages and the apprentice will receive approximately One year of paid schooling and book, and tools

Mr. Holmes – Are we going to verify?

Mr. Howard – Yes, there is going to be a report

Mr. Homes – Great idea

Mr. Contarino made a motion to adopt. Mr. Riley seconded. All members voted in favor.

US DOL representatives Jill Houser and Howard Carney to discuss recent 29 CFR Part 29 changes

Mr. Holmes – Jill Houser is not here today, I will highly recommend that everybody attends the next meeting, schedule for after the meeting.

Mr. Holmes – ESAC went well very informative unfortunately not very well attended.

Jill Houser presentation will be on our next meeting; Victor and Juana please make sure all the board members are informed.

Victor – Thank the council for all the help and support.

Mr. Holmes – Thanking Victor for his outstanding job, and Welcome Bernie Treml.

9. Further Discussion:

Sandra Powell may speak to the Apprenticeship Council on matters pertaining to Apprenticeship.

10. Next SAC Meeting:

The next meeting of the State Apprentice Council will be held on July 28, 2009 at 9:30 am. The meeting will be held at RIDLT, 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 70 2nd Floor, Cranston, RI.

Mr. Riley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 am. Mr. Contarino seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.